

GERMANS NOW OCCUPYING BELGIAN CAPITAL--STRONG COLUMNS COMING UP

Belgians Offered No Opposition, Falling Back--German Right Advancing Through Northern Belgium, While Left and Center Are Halted by the Allies.

LONDON, August 21.—(Associated Press by Federal Wireless)—An official despatch came by way of Paris last night stating that the Germans have occupied Brussels, the advance guard entering the city in the evening. A number of strong columns are following this advance.

The Belgians made no resistance, the regiments falling back upon Antwerp without an engagement.

German Left and Center Held--Right Pushes On

LONDON, August 21.—(Associated Press by Federal Wireless)—The despatches from Brussels and Paris yesterday afternoon indicated a rapid advance of the Germans against the undefended capital and a movement against Antwerp, one of the most strongly defended cities in Europe. The advance of the Germans by way of the valley of the Meuse is apparently stopped by the strong defenses of the allies and the result has been a broad turning movement to the north, with the idea of reaching French territory by traversing West Flanders. This movement necessitates the occupation of Antwerp. An official statement from Brussels says that the Belgians have performed their share of the work, having retarded the invaders for a fortnight, giving the French and British the opportunity of getting their forces into the field. The Belgians will now join the allies.

NO OPPOSITION IN BRUSSELS.

Late yesterday afternoon it was reported that Brussels was about to fall and no attempt would be made by the citizen guard to oppose the entry of the Germans, who are in force. Communication with the city by wire was interrupted early in the evening.

EIGHTY-MILE FRONT.

The attack upon Brussels is being made by the German right, the line extending for about eighty miles, with the left wing resting near Rochefort, on the Wamme River, and the right being extended north of Brussels on the Dyle River. The center faces Namur, back of which are the main French and British lines. There has been almost continuous fighting along the line, with the German left and center held and the right being pushed forward.

GERMAN CAVALRY STRONG.

A Brussels despatch to the Temps of Paris, forwarded here, quotes a member of the Belgian cabinet on the evacuation of Brussels as the seat of government, as follows: "The Belgians had not sufficient cavalry to engage the vast curtain of German horse, which covered both banks of the Meuse. This army of cavalry is now advancing upon Brussels and the capital was in danger of a sudden raid. Under these circumstances it was simple prudence to withdraw."

The Defenses of Antwerp.

Antwerp is very strongly defended, being one of the best fortified cities of Europe. The city itself lies on the east bank of the River Scheldt, some ten miles from its mouth, and the river, from the sea to the city, is lined with modern forts. On the left bank are the forts of Frederik Henri, Lillo, de la Croix and Philippe; on the right bank are two old forts and the modern fortifications of Liefskenshoek, St. Marie, Isabelle, de Flandre and de Burcht, the latter being below the city. These are the defenses to the north and west. On the east the city is defended by a series of eight forts, arranged in a semi-circle, the rim of which is about five miles from the inner line of defense, which is another series of forts, beginning at the South Citadel on the Scheldt and encircling the city to the great Citadel of the North, also upon the Scheldt.

Important Strategically.

The port of Antwerp is of the highest importance strategically. When held by Napoleon up to 1814 he referred to it as "un pistolet charge que je tiens sur la gorge de l'Angleterre" and its possession by Germany would give that nation a place from which an invasion of England would be feasible. Held by Belgium, it offers a landing place for British, French or Portuguese troops, to be sent against the German line of communication should the advance towards France be made leaving Antwerp untaken in the rear.

Many Times Besieged.

The city has seen its share of fighting, from the time when the Northmen descended upon it eleven hundred years ago, until it was regained from the Dutch in 1832 by the French and handed back to the Belgians. It was besieged, captured and sacked by the Spaniards in 1576; it was besieged for two years by the Duke of Parma, falling to him in 1585. In 1794 the French captured the city, being taken back by the Allies in 1814. During the Belgian revolution of 1830 the city was defended for two years by a Dutch garrison, falling in 1832, from which time until now it has had peace.

The population of Antwerp, as given in the World's Almanac, was at the last census, 1905, nearly 292,000.

Suffering in Paris Because of Closing Down of Industries

PARIS, France, August 20.—(Associated Press by Federal Wireless)—The French government estimates that 600,000 people in the capital are now unemployed. The government is opening vast soup kitchens in order to relieve the growing distress.

The cause of the unemployment is the paralyzing of the great in-

FRENCH WIN TWO BATTLES AND LOSE ONE IN LORRAINE

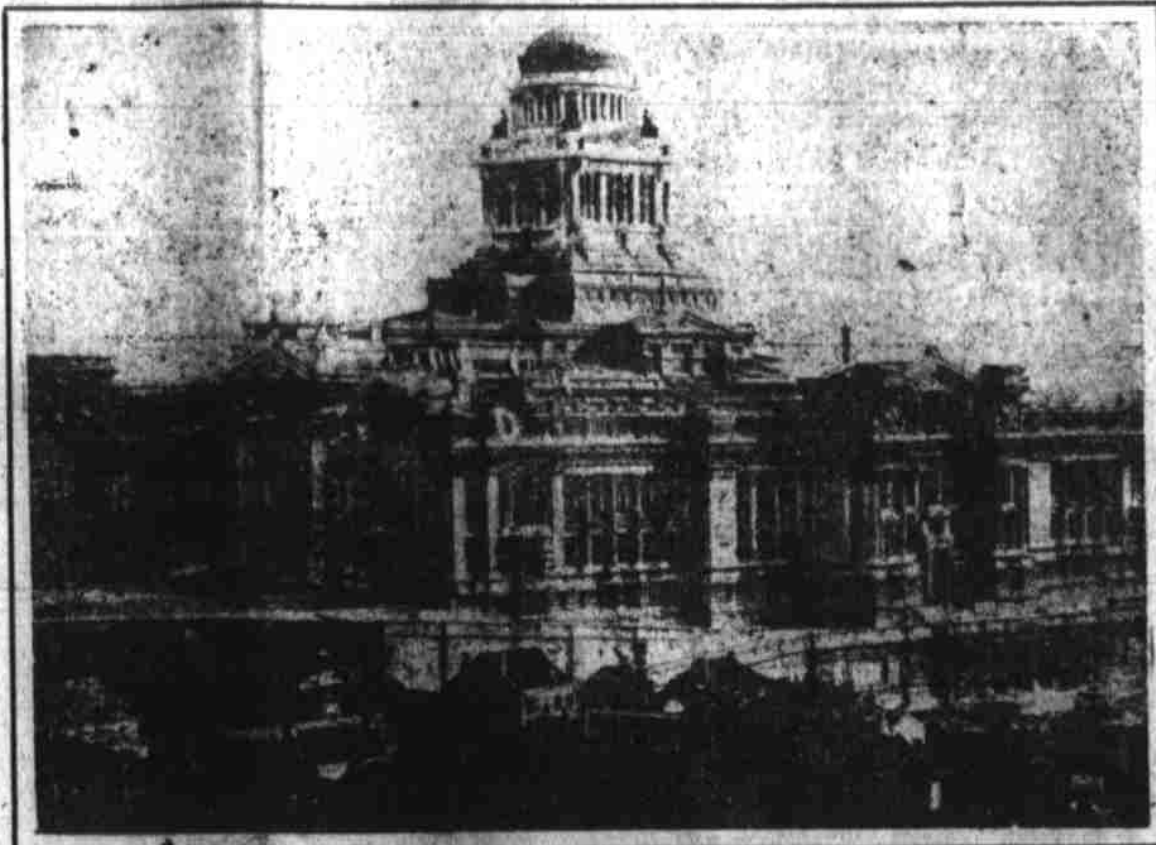
PARIS, August 21.—(Associated Press by Federal Wireless)—The German defense in Lower Alsace is being driven back and the Germans are retreating on the Rhine. An engagement was fought yesterday afternoon south of Muelhausen, near Altkirch, the Germans losing twenty-four guns and many prisoners.

Previously the French had attacked the defenses at Muelhausen and succeeded in recapturing them. The engagement was hard fought, developing into a hand-to-hand struggle in one of the suburbs, in which the French charged with the bayonet. The losses on both sides were heavy.

Repulsed in Lorraine.

The French advance in Lorraine received a check yesterday, the advance being met by a strong German force and driven back up on the main army of invasion.

Famous Buildings in Captured Capital



PALACE OF JUSTICE
AT BRUSSELS
IT IS SAID TO BE THE
GRANDEST STRUCTURE
OF THE WORLD



THE PALACE OF KING ALBERT
NOW USED AS AN ARMY HOSPITAL

dustries in dressmaking, millinery, lace embroidery and artificial flower-making and selling. The government is endeavoring to employ the armies of idle people on unfinished buildings and other extensive charitable enterprises.

PROBING ALLEGED GERMAN CRUELITIES.

The government has instituted an official inquiry into alleged German cruelties to prisoners who have fallen into their hands in recent battles. Witnesses are to be heard and testimony taken systematically.

RUSSIANS CLAIM VICTORY.

PARIS, August 21.—(Associated Press by Federal Wireless)—In dispatches received here the Russians claim their outposts have been victorious in skirmishes along the Austria-German frontier.

Bullets Riddle Aeroplane; Daring Aviator Escapes; Will Renew His Attack

LONDON, August 21.—(Associated Press by Federal Wireless)—His aeroplane having been riddled by bullets when as a war scout for France he flew over 185 miles of German territory, Adolphe Pegoud, daring aviator of loop-the-loop fame, has returned to Paris to get a new machine, according to an Exchange Telegraph message received here.

On his perilous flight Pegoud, accompanied by a military observer from the French army aviation corps, crossed the Rhine and is said to have dropped bombs that blew up two German convoys. During his voyage the aeroplane was the target for a hail of bullets, ninety-eight of which are reported to have struck the machine. Two shells from a German mortar also damaged the plane.

Captain Fink, a military aviator with the French forces, is said to have destroyed three tube-aeroplanes and wrecked a Zeppelin dirigible when he dropped bombs into a hangar at Metz.

An official notice issued by the war office here asks the people of England to watch for messages dropped from aeroplanes and that any such communications that are found be forwarded to army headquarters.

\$50,000,000 War Fund Is Voted by Canada

OTTAWA, August 21.—(Associated Press by Federal Wireless)—The Canadian House of Commons has appropriated \$50,000,000 for use in the war. Action was taken on motion of Premier Borden seconded by Sir Wilfred Laurier.

THREE THOUSAND AMERICANS MAROONED.

COPENHAGEN, Denmark, August 20.—(Associated Press by Federal Wireless)—Three thousand Americans are marooned on the Scandinavian peninsula, unable to get away on account of lack of steamer facilities and being in many cases without funds.

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STORM KILLS FIVE INJURES FORTY

Much Damage Caused in Vicinity of Wilkesbarre, Pennsylvania.

WILKESBARRE, Pennsylvania, August 20.—(Associated Press by Federal Wireless)—Five persons were killed and forty seriously injured today in an electrical storm which swept this section of the State. The storm was one of the most serious that has been experienced in years, and caused much damage to property.

WARSHIP HEADING TO PRINCE RUPERT

PRINCE RUPERT, British Columbia, August 21.—(Associated Press by Pacific Commercial Cable)—Minister of Marine Hazen has telegraphed from Ottawa a warning to the authorities and to the banks here that a German warship, said to be seeking coal, is approaching this section of the British Columbia coast. The authorities have been notified to give no aid to the German, even if a threat to bombard the city be made.

AMERICANS TREATED WELL BY GERMANS

ROTTERDAM, Netherlands, August 20.—(Associated Press by Federal Wireless)—Returning Americans are emphatic in their declarations that Germany is doing its utmost to relieve distressed Americans unable to depart from the kingdom. Many hotels, it is asserted, are giving credit or accepting personal checks in payment of bills, but some seven hundred Americans, according to late estimates, are still marooned in German towns, where they are unable to obtain cash or credit.

WILSON APPROVES WOMEN'S PLAN FOR BIG PEACE PARADE

NEW YORK, August 21.—(Associated Press by Federal Wireless)—The President has given his approval to the proposed "Peace Parade" to be taken part in by the members of the New York Women's Suffrage League here a week from tomorrow, provided that the parade does not attempt to make any speeches or display any flags.

CARBAJAL TO LIVE IN UNITED STATES

VERA CRUZ, August 21.—(Associated Press by Federal Wireless)—Ex-President Carbal has sailed for Galveston. Before his departure he announced he would reside in the United States and intended to seek admittance to the American bar.

MEXICO'S NEW CHIEF GREETED WITH OVATION

CITY OF MEXICO, August 20.—(Associated Press by Federal Wireless)—President Carranza, head of the victorious Constitutionalists, entered the capital city today and was given a great ovation.

Compromise Expected. CHIHUAHUA CITY, Mexico, August 20.—(Associated Press by Federal Wireless)—Gen. Pancho Villa says that a peaceful settlement between himself and Carranza will soon be effected. No details are given as to the progress of the negotiations.

TREATY WITH PERU RATIFIED BY SENATE

WASHINGTON, August 21.—(Associated Press by Federal Wireless)—The senate today ratified the Peruvian peace treaty.

MOANA HEADS TOWARDS LEIPZIG

Fears on Coast that Australian Liner Will Be Captured--Attempt to Break Rules of Neutrality Nipped by Authorities--Canadian City May Be Bombarded.

SAN FRANCISCO, August 21.—(Associated Press by Pacific Commercial Cable)—Fears are entertained here that the Union Steamship Moana is heading directly into the waters patrolled by the German cruiser Leipzig and may be captured. The Moana cleared from this port at four o'clock yesterday afternoon, after having been tied up at Meigs' wharf for eighteen hours past her scheduled sailing time. The Norwegian steamer Cuzco, which came in as the Moana left, reported having sighted a three-funnelled cruiser, supposed to be the Leipzig, about seventy miles southwest of here.

The plans of Captain Stringer of the Moana, as told by him to friends before sailing, was to head his steamer south for some seventy miles, then to make a run for Tahiti.

If the Leipzig is staying in the neighborhood where the Cuzco sighted her, the Moana runs a big risk of capture.

Sonoma Sighted Warship.

Captain Trask of the S. S. Sonoma, which arrived yesterday from Sydney, reports having sighted a warship about two hundred miles out. The warship refused to answer the Sonoma's signals. At the time the fighting craft was heading west.

No Coal for Leipzig.

SAN FRANCISCO, August 21.—(Associated Press by Federal Wireless)—Collector of the Port Davis has refused clearance papers to the German-owned Mexican tramp steamer Mazatlan and has forbidden the tramp to leave port until she had discharged the five hundred tons of sacked coal included in her cargo, the authorities having knowledge that this coal is intended to be transferred at sea to the German cruiser Leipzig.

The Mazatlan, owned by the Jebson Company, had asked for clearance papers for Mexican west coast ports.

Leipzig's Surgeon Ashore.

John Rothchild, a wholesale coal dealer, had admitted to Collector Davis that the coal aboard the Mazatlan had been ordered by him from the Western Fuel Company for delivery aboard the Mazatlan for ultimate delivery at sea to the Leipzig. He says that he was told to look for payment to Simon Reimer, who styles himself the special agent of the German consulate.

Treasury Agent Tidwell has information that Reimer is in reality the surgeon of the Leipzig, who arrived here recently as a passenger aboard the German freighter Alexandria, now a refugee in the port. The Alexandria's manifest shows that Reimer transferred to that vessel from an unnamed vessel at some port between Champerico and San Francisco.

FATHER WERNZ, KNOWN AS "BLACK POPE," DEAD

ROME, Italy, August 20.—Father Francis Xavier Wernz, General of the Society of Jesus and sometimes called the "Black Pope," died almost simultaneously with Pope Pius.